

Anchoring of the Vessel within this Province, any Law or Custom to the contrary notwithstanding.

XVI. No Indenture made by any Servant during the time of his Service, shall any ways oblige such Servant for longer time, than by his first Indenture, or determination of the Court, shall be limited. Provided this Act shall not give any benefit to any Negro or Slave.

XVII. For all Runaway Servants or Slaves that shall be taken up in *Pensylvania* or *Virginia*, and from thence brought into this Province, and deliver'd to a Magistrate, the person who brings them shall have paid him by the Owner of such Runaway 400 l. of Tobacco and Cask, or 40 s. in Money; except Servants or Runaways brought from *Accomack* into *Somerset* County, or from the side of *Virginia* next the River *Potomack*; and for such, only 200 l. of Tobacco, or 20 s. And such Runaway, when free, shall make satisfaction by Service or otherwise, more than 10 days for one, as the Court shall adjudge, &c.

XVIII. If any Master, Mistress, or Overseer of any Servant, shall deny sufficient Meat and Drink, Lodging and Cloathing, or unreasonably labour them beyond their Strength, or debar them of necessary Rest and Sleep, the same being sufficiently proved in the County Court, the Justices may fine such Offender for the first and second Offence as they please, not exceeding 1000 l. of Tobacco to the King; and for the third offence, set such Servant so wrong'd at Liberty, and free from Servitude.

XIX. All Negroes and other Slaves imported into this Province, and their Children, shall be Slaves during their Natural Lives.

XX. Any White Woman, free or Servant, that suffers herself to be begot with Child, by a Negro, or other Slave, or Free Negro; such Woman, if free, shall become a Servant for 7 years; if a Servant, shall serve 7 years longer than her first term of Service: If the Negro that begot the Child be free, he shall serve 7 years, to be adjudged by the Justices of the County Court, and the Issue of such Copulations shall be Servants till they arrive at the Age of 31 years. And any White Man that shall get a Negro Woman with Child (whether free or Servant) shall undergo the same Penalties as White Women. All which Servitudes by this Act im-